



State of Arizona
Department of Education
Research and Evaluation

MEMORANDUM

TO: Superintendents, Charter Holders, Principals, and Testing Coordinators

FROM: Anju Kuriakose, Director of Accountability

DATE: August 15, 2011

SUBJECT: 2011 AZ LEARNS Updated Timeline
(REF: RE11008-E)

Superintendent Huppenthal has extended the deadline for statistical appeals until Wednesday, August 24, 2011 at 5:00 PM. This will allow all districts and charters time to review for accuracy and modify student data if needed.

We thank you for your understanding and assistance to ensure that all school information is accurate and up to date as we implement the new A-F accountability system for the first time. The superintendent is aware that the start of school is an extremely busy time and wants schools to be able to focus on giving their students the attention they need and deserve to start the year off on the right track.

ADE is fully committed to utilizing the most accurate data to calculate school achievement profiles. Student level data is currently available through the Common Logon. Please review all data available to you using the applications (AIMS Download, Graduation rate cohort report, SAISID corrections application) via the Common Logon. The applications do not reflect changes that were made after June 30.

Districts and charters will now have until 5:00 PM on Wednesday, August 24 to make changes to student data before ADE runs integrity. ADE will give priority to 915 requests for data corrections that will impact A-F calculations.

Preliminary AZ LEARNS legacy labels will be available for review on August 19 via the common logon. Substantive appeals should be submitted using the application on the common logon. All data has to be corrected in SAIS for statistical appeals. The appeals timelines are listed below.



Research and Evaluation • 1535 West Jefferson • Phoenix, Arizona 85007 • 602-542-5151 • www.azed.gov

Updated Data Correction Timeline

	Appeal Description	Appeals Open	Appeals Close
A-F AZ LEARNS	Only Statistical	August 1	August 24
Legacy AZ LEARNS	Statistical and Substantive	August 19	August 24

The Superintendent intends to publicly release both the A-F calculations and legacy AZ LEARNS labels the last week in September.

We appreciate your attention as well as your ongoing cooperation. Please be sure to share this information with appropriate district and school staff, as necessary.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact the ADE Research and Evaluation section at 602-542-5151 or email achieve@azed.gov.

